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OPTIONAL FORM 101-11.206
Prescribed by GSA
FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.206

Working Paper
5 January 1988

NOTE FOR DDA

FROM: OCA

SUBJECT: HJ RES 395 Provision Requiring Federal Agencies
to Participate in FTS 2000 System.

Attached is a provision from the Continuing Resolution (HJ Res.395) requiring Agency use of the FTS 2000 telephone network system. There is a provision for granting exceptions for "agencies' unique or special purpose network requirements." Conversations with NSA reveal that NSA will seek an exemption. Because the exemption must be sought through GSA, I suggest a copy of the attached be provided to OGC with instructions from you or OIT on the Agency's position.

cc: D/OIT
D/OS

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100TH CONGRESS
1st Session

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT
100-498

MAKING FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1988

CONFERENCE REPORT

TO ACCOMPANY

H.J. Res. 395



DECEMBER 22 (legislative day, DECEMBER 21), 1987.—Ordered to be printed

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(MAS) contracts more commercial-like. The Committee did not intend, however, that GSA impair its ability to obtain advantageous pricing arrangements with commercial vendors through the use of vendor market and sales data and aggressive negotiation objectives. The Committee of Conference fully supports the Competition in Contracting Act requirement that MAS contract prices represent the lowest overall cost alternative to the Federal Government.

REAL PROPERTY RELOCATION

Appropriates \$5,000,000 for real property relocation instead of \$15,000,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$47,000,000 as proposed by the House.

INFORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT SERVICE

Appropriates \$31,193,000 for operating expenses instead of \$32,500,000 as proposed by the House and \$30,000,000 as proposed by the Senate.

FTS-2000

The conferees believe that full participation in the FTS-2000 project by all Federal agencies is fundamental to the success of this procurement.

No later than July 1988, the GSA shall publish in the Federal Register regulations governing the use of the FTS-2000 network. Such regulations shall provide that (1) use of the network is mandatory for all Federal agency activities subject to P.L. 89-306, (2) exceptions shall be granted by GSA for agencies' unique or special purpose network requirements, and (3) agencies may appeal a GSA denial for an exemption to OMB.

The GSA is directed to establish an FTS-2000 Inter-Agency Management Council chaired by the Administrator or his designee which shall oversee the conduct of the FTS-2000 and all related procurements. The Council shall consist of the senior information resources management officials (designated pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3506) from each of the top six agencies in terms of current FTS network usage as of December, 1986. No later than July 1, 1989, the Council shall complete a comprehensive study of the government's information network requirements through the year 2000 and publish the results no later than that date.

The Administrator shall establish an FTS-2000 Inter-Agency Task Force consisting of one person appointed by each of the IRM officials on the Management Council and headed by an official appointed by the Administrator. The members of the Task Force shall work at GSA on a full-time basis, for the duration of the acquisition process, to supplement GSA's permanent personnel, and shall personally and substantially participate in the conduct of the procurement. The Task Force members shall be actively involved in the conduct and management of all aspects of the FTS-2000 program, including, but not limited to, amendments to the RFP, development of technical, management and cost evaluation criteria, conduct of the procurement, evaluation, selection and award of contracts.